# The Big Picture

#### Introduction

 Collision avoidance through education and communication

- All countries require pilot services in their territorial waters
- Pilots are experts in ship handling, local knowledge, and navigation of their routes

#### **Topics of Discussion**

- Watch standing routine aboard ships
- Ship profiles
- Rules of the Road
- Maneuvering and maneuvering limitations of ships
- Communication



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## Modern Wheelhouse

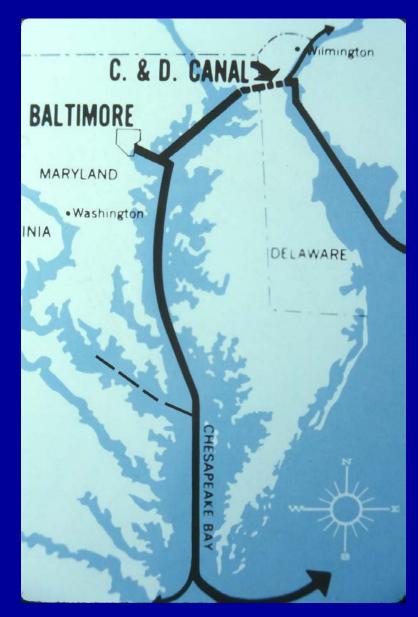




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#### Typical Chesapeake Bay Pilot Routes

- Cape Henry to Baltimore
- Baltimore to the C&D Canal



## Types of Ships

- Ship profiles
- Tugs and barges
- Dredges

## **Container Ship**



### **Tanker**



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## Roll on Roll Off (RORO)



## Car Carrier (RORO)



# Passenger Ship



#### **Bulk Carrier**



## **Breakbulk Ship**



## **Tall Ships**



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## LNG Ships



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#### **Naval Vessels**



#### **Naval Vessel Protection Zone**

- All vessels within 500 yards of a U.S. Naval vessel shall operate at minimum steerageway
- No vessels are allowed within 100 yards of a U.S.
  Naval vessel unless given permission on VHF-FM channel 16

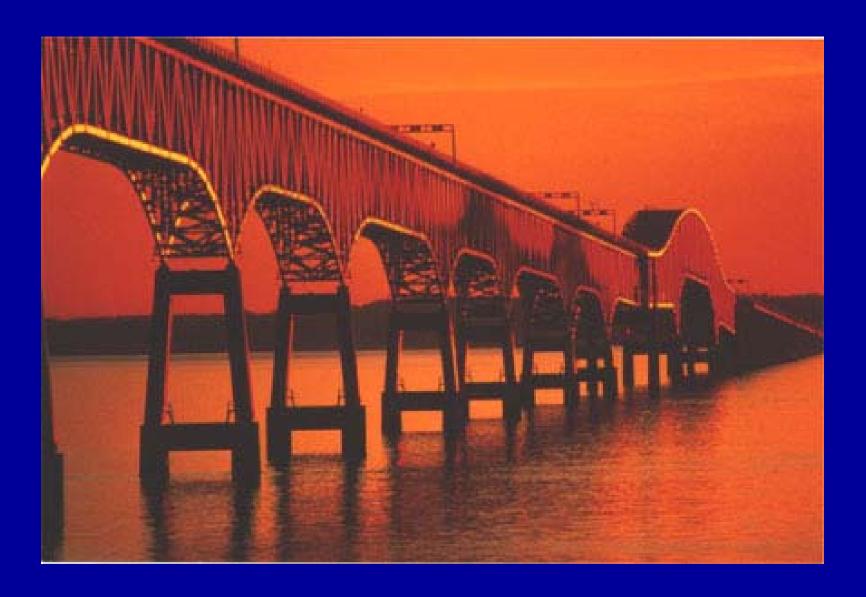
## Tugs and Tows



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## Dredges





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#### **Pilot Operations**

- Boarding Ships
- Maneuvering to make a lee

Pilot tower

## **Boarding Ships**





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## Pilot boats



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#### **Cape Henry Pilot Tower**

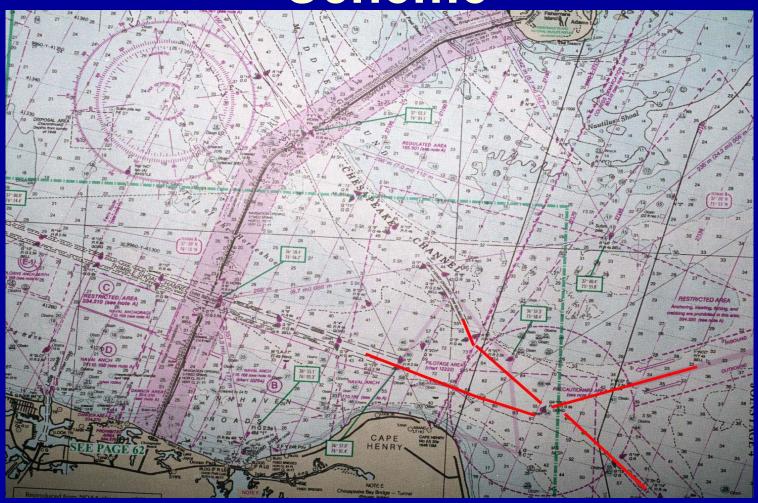
- Monitors VHFChannels 16 and11
- Both Maryland and Virginia Pilots





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# Cape Henry Traffic Scheme





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#### **Collision Avoidance**



### **Automated Information System**

#### AIS



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#### **Collision Avoidance**

- Always stand a good watch
- Know the Rules of the Road
- Take early and substantial action when maneuvering
- Use radar reflectors
- Know the proper use of radios
- Know the meaning of whistle signals
- Keep bright, proper running lights

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#### **Collision Avoidance**

- In poor visibility, if uncertain what to do <u>stop</u> and let the ship maneuver around you
- Chances are good that large ships will <u>not</u> hear whistle signals from small vessels
- Be aware of the fast relative speed of ships and that they are generally quiet

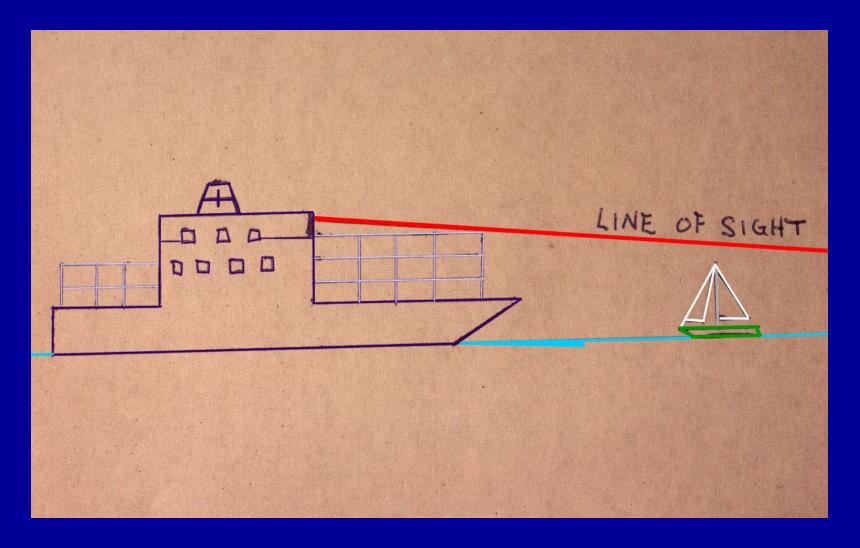
#### **Collision Avoidance**

- When possible, stay to the sides or out of shipping channels
- Stay clear of the center span of bridges
- Anticipate ship maneuvers in pilot transfer areas, shipping channels, and anchorages

#### **Collision Avoidance**

- Height of eye and the whole picture
- Inadvertently maneuvering into the ship's lee

### **Obstructed View**





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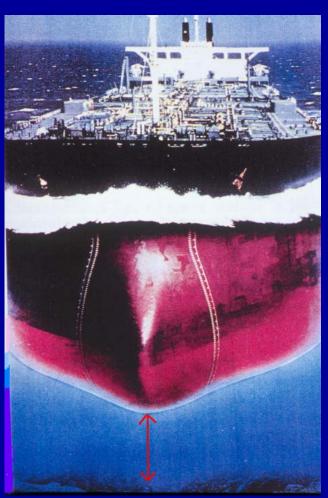
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### Large Bulk Carrier

- Channel project depth of 50 feet in the Chesapeake Bay
- Pilots move 47 feet 6 inches in draft
- Ships can weigh 200,000 tons +





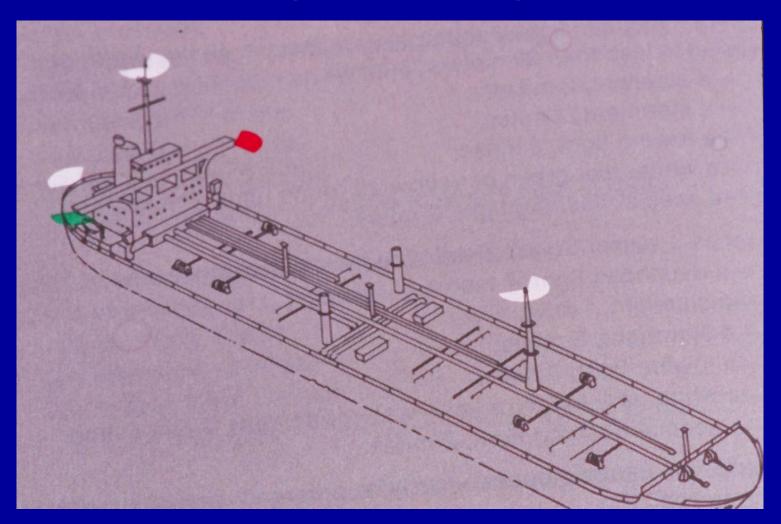
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## Dangerous Wake

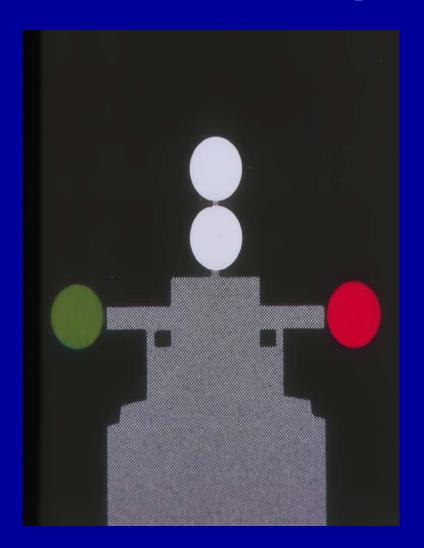


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## **Navigation Lights**

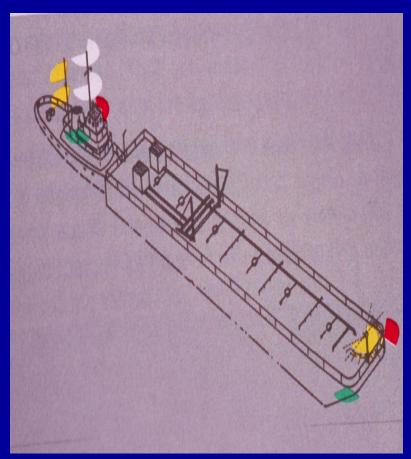


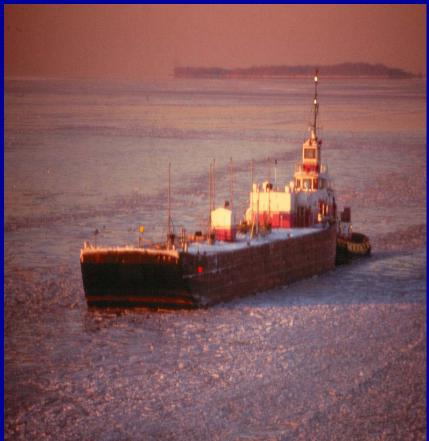
## **Ship End On**



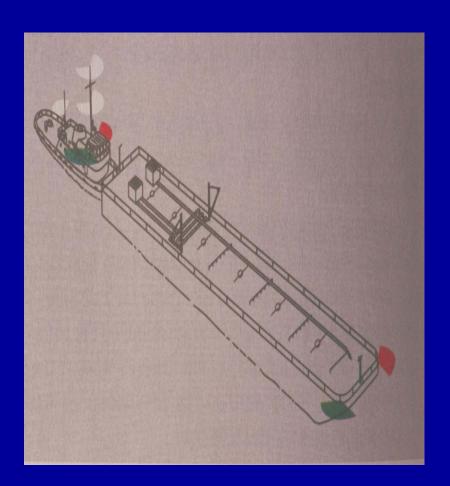


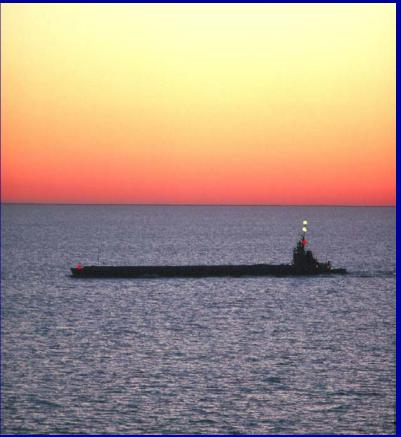
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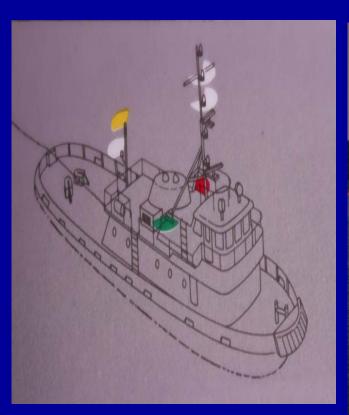


# Tug Pushing International



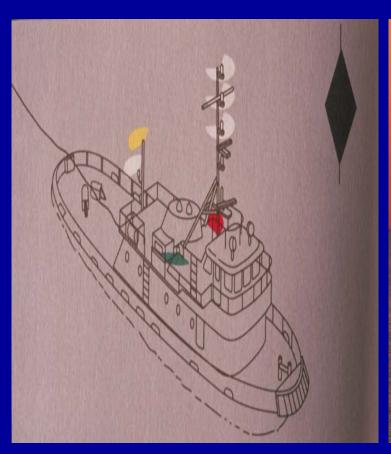


# Tug Towing Less Than 200 meters



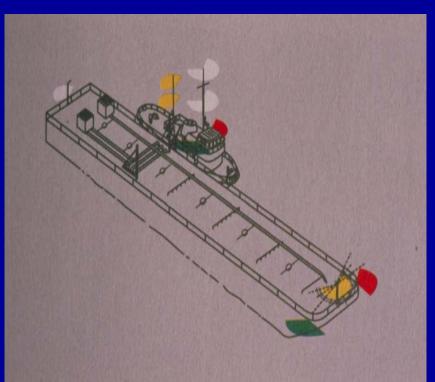


# Tug Towing, Tow in Excess of 200 meters





## **Tug Alongside**



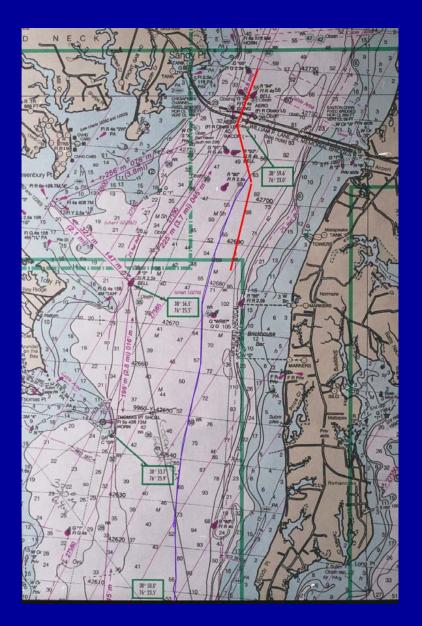




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#### Bay Bridge to Bloody Point

### Preferred Ship Route



# Pilot Transfer Station PTS



### **Baltimore Harbor**



## Fog









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#### **Thunderstorms**



### Snow & Ice

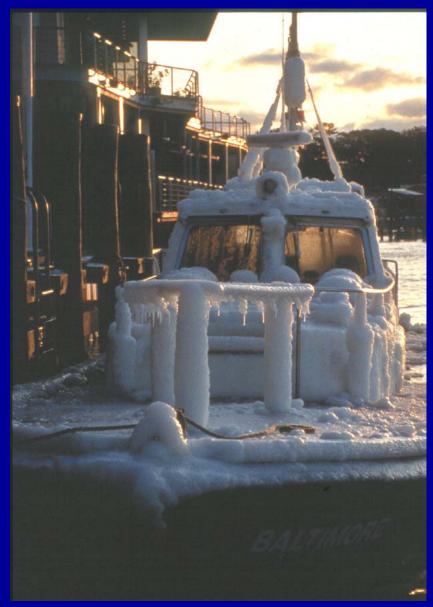




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## **Arpa**



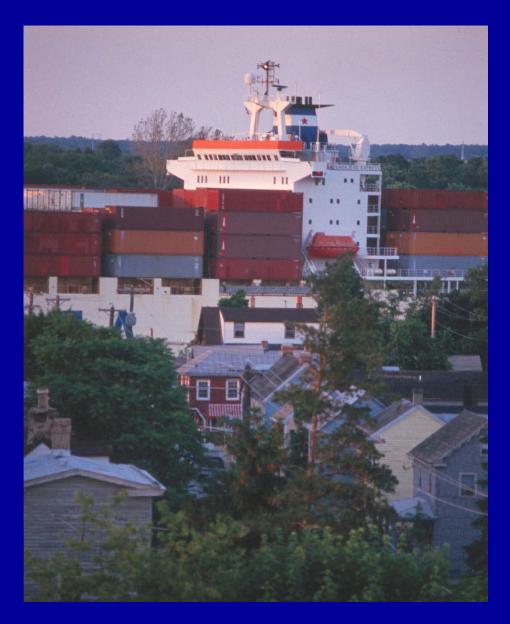
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# C & D Canal and Approaches

- Channel project depth of 36 feet
- Maximum draft for pilots 33'6"
- Maximum width 400 feet
- Distance from Baltimore to pilot change at Chesapeake City is 40 miles



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## **Docking Ships**



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## **Heavy Weather**





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